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Michigan Cattle Inventory

All cattle and calves in Michigan as of January 1, 2019 were 1.15 million head, down 1 percent from last year, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan highlights from the January 1 report follow:

- Beef cow numbers increased 6 percent to 108,000 head. Beef replacement heifers increased 4 percent to 25,000 head.
- Milk cows decreased 1 percent to 422,000 head. Heifers for milk cow replacement decreased 9 percent to 160,000 head.
- The 2018 calf crop was 420,000 head, up 2 percent from 2017.

Nationally, all cattle and calves in the United States as of January 1, 2019 totaled 94.8 million head, slightly above the 94.3 million head on January 1, 2018. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 41.1 million head, were 1 percent above the 40.9 million head on January 1, 2018. Beef cows, at 31.8 million head, were up 1 percent from a year ago. Milk cows, at 9.35 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. All heifers 500 pounds and over as of January 1, 2019 totaled 20.2 million head, slightly above the 20.2 million head on January 1, 2018. Beef replacement heifers, at 5.92 million head, were down 3 percent from a year ago. Milk replacement heifers, at 4.70 million head, were down 1 percent from the previous year. Other heifers, at 9.60 million head, were 3 percent above a year earlier.

Cattle Inventory, January 1, 2018 and 2019

Class	Michigan		United States	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	head
All cattle and calves	1,160	1,150	94,298	94,760
Cows	530	530	40,898	41,119
Beef	102	108	31,466	31,766
Milk	428	422	9,432	9,353
Replacement heifers	230	225	20,218	20,230
Beef	24	25	6,108	5,925
Milk	176	160	4,768	4,702
Other	30	40	9,341	9,604
Steers 500 pounds and over	180	170	16,528	16,633
Bulls 500 pounds and over	15	15	2,252	2,263
Calves under 500 pounds	205	210	14,401	14,515
Cattle on feed	140	150	14,146	14,371

Totals may not add due to rounding.